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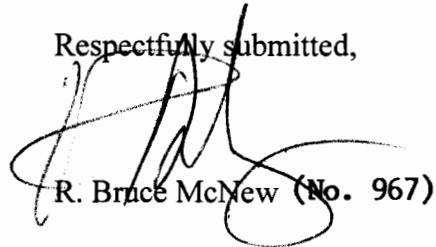
The Honorable Kent A. Jordan
United States District Court
844 North King Street
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Re: Genesis Health Ventures, Inc., et al.,
Bankr. Case No. 00-2692 / Richard Haskell, et al., v.
Goldman, Sachs & Co., et al., C.A. No.: 05-427-KAJ

Dear Judge Jordan:

Please accept this letter in lieu of a more formal submission regarding the parties' proposed briefing schedule as directed by Your Honor's Order of October 20, 2005. The parties have agreed that Plaintiff-Appellants' opening brief will be due on or before November 21, 2005, Defendants-Appellees' answering brief will be due on or before December 21, 2005, and Plaintiff-Appellants' reply brief will be due on or before January 11, 2006. Counsel shall submit a more formal stipulation should the Court require one.

Respectfully submitted,



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